

Heavy Duty Vehicle Registration Compliance

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New Information

Effective January 1, 2020, new legislation required the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) to deny registration to diesel-powered vehicles with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) over 14,000 pounds that do not comply with California Air Resource Board (CARB) emission standards. Noncompliant vehicles will have a Record Condition Code (RCC) 85 Reason Code (RSN) 02 added to the vehicle record.

Procedures

The following applications can be processed by DMV when RCC: 85 RSN: 02 is present on the vehicle record:

- Planned nonoperation (PNO).
- Junk.
- Salvage.
- Duplicate title.

Business Partner Automation (BPA) participants are **not** able to process these applications: they can only be processed on the Department of Motor Vehicles Automation (DMVA) system. Submit applications to the DMV Industry Business Center (IBC).

NOTE: Direct inquiries regarding vehicle compliance to the CARB Diesel Hotline at 1-866-634-3735.

Background

Effective January 1, 2020, Senate Bill 1 (Chapter 5, Statutes of 2017) required DMV to deny registration to diesel-powered vehicles with a GVWR over 14,000 pounds that do not comply with CARB emission standards.

References

California Vehicle Code §§4000.15, 4156
Health and Safety Code §43018
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Call the DMV Customer Communications Section at (916) 657-6560 for further clarification of this memo.